

MINUTES for July 14, 2025
BOARD of CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'
CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS

CONVENE

Chair Myra Carlisle Frazier called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (the Board), to order at 9:00 AM on Monday, July 14, 2025, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County Commissioner, Cory Moates opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Jack Garner, Cory Moates, Myra Frazier, County Counselor Jake Conard, County Deputy Clerk Michelle Mosler, Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, Road and Bridge Office Manager Joni Hicks, President and CEO of Class Limited Bob Davis, Scott McWilliams, Galena Sentinel Times Editor Machele Smith, and News Report owner Larry Hiatt were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the minutes as presented from July 7, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook provided an update on current projects.

NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Frazier moved to enter into a 10-minute executive session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel, with the Board, Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, and Road and Bridge Office Manager Joni Hicks present. The session was set to return at 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously. No action was taken.

RESOLUTION FOR SOLAR MORATORIUM

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve resolution 20-2025, a resolution extending the moratorium on commercial solar energy projects. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE INTENT

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve the notice to the clerk of the intention to raise the revenue neutral rate to 37.939. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ROAD CONCERNS

Scott McWilliams voiced his concerns over culvert and road issues on Messer and SE 90th Roads.

NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL EXECUTIVE SESSION


Commissioner Moates moved to enter into a 10-minute executive session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel, with the Board and County Counselor Jake Conard present. The session was set to return at 10:17 a.m. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The session extended by 5 minutes to return at 10:22 a.m. No action was taken.


ADJOURNMENT


At 10:24 a.m., Commissioner Frazier moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 21 day of July 2025.


 Commissioner Chairwoman – Myra Carlisle Frazier


 Commissioner – Jack Garner


 Commissioner – Cory Moates


 County Clerk – Taylor Brown